

Press Release  
12<sup>th</sup> of July 2019

## EUROPEAN UTILITY WEEK

**Come and meet the French SMART GRID ecosystem on the French Pavilion in Paris, from the 12th to the 14th of November 2019.**

The French association Think Smartgrids, a member of the Global Smart Grid Federation, federates the French smart grid ecosystem and develops international collaborations on behalf of its members. During the EUROPEAN UTILITY WEEK, it will organize the representation of the French industry, and will offer visits to showrooms and smart grid sites in France (14th and 15th November) for visitors and International delegations. From 12 to 14 November 2019, the 10th edition of EUW exhibition will be held in PARIS, in conjunction with POWERGEN Europe.

Think Smartgrids and its members will welcome visitors and delegations to the French Pavilion during this event in order to:

- Present the know-how of the French smart grid sector;
- Offer to meet some of our members depending on the issues that visitors and delegations encounter (integration of renewable energies, storage, Electric vehicle infrastructure, smart metering, non-interconnected areas, intelligent substations, etc.);

On **November 14<sup>th</sup>**: Visits of showrooms or smart grid sites in Paris are organised by Enedis (French DSO) and RTE (French TSO)

On **November 15<sup>th</sup>**: Choose one of the five guided tours listed below to discover flagship smart grid sites and innovations (transport from Paris, guide and lunch provided).

- Integration of renewable energies and flexibility (Nantes);
- Smart grids and electric mobility (Nantes);
- Hydrogen for storage and mobility (Rennes);
- Smart gas and biogas routes (Rennes);
- Positive and modular energy territory (Amiens).

To register for visits :<https://www.european-utility-week.com/network/site-visits#/>

Think Smartgrids will also organize two major events:

- On the 14<sup>th</sup>, a two-hour seminar "Pre-requisites for efficient buying" will be held at AFD's premises, in order to help utilities build the specifications for their smart grids tenders, in order to ensure the success of their projects.



- On the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, Think smartgrids will receive "Mission Innovation", an international initiative coordinated by China, India and Italy on smart grids solutions and the low-carbon energy transition. Many high-level experts will be present.
- <http://mission-innovation.net/events/fourth-mission-innovation-ministerial-mi-4/>

In Europe, France is among the leaders in the smart grid sector, with more than 120 demo-projects launched in the past 10 years and three large industrial showcases deployed in France on a regional scale, as part of the *Smart Grid plan* launched in 2014 by the French government.

**A dedicated program for journalists will be available by end of September 2019. Let us know if you have any enquires.**

## About Think Smartgrids

Think Smartgrids federates and represents the French smart grid ecosystem, with a hundred members, from startups to large groups, research laboratories, universities, professional associations and clusters, covering the entire smart grids value chain: electronic engineering, utilities, automation, telecommunication equipment and information systems, business models, training, and regulation.

The association, chaired by Olivier Grabette, member of the board of RTE (French TSO), is dedicated to federating the French smart grid sector in France and developing international collaborations. Think Smartgrids is a member of the Global Smart Grid Federation.

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